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Status of Claims

The rejections of claims 1, 3-5 and 7-20 are being appealed.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due, however, any additional fee or is to be charged to Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, Deposit Account No. 50-4254, referencing docket number 2901683-000026.

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